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State of Utah  
Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining  
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*Incoming*  
*C/015/017*

Re: Extension Request for Updating Appendix XIV, Energy West Mining, Des Bee Dove Mine, C/015/017, Task ID # 1786

PacifiCorp, by and through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Energy West Mining Company ("Energy West") as mine operator, hereby requests an extension for submitting updated RUSLE information to Appendix XIV, Des Bee Dove Phase 1 Reclamation Plan. The Division has requested that the RUSLE calculation for the disturbed area slopes be based on a 13 inch yearly average rainfall for the town of Hiawatha. The current calculation is based on approximately 8 inches.

As Energy West intends to comply with this request, however, more time is needed to collect other necessary information, specifically Energy Intensity (EI) values associated with the revised rainfall data. Energy West has learned that these values may be available for download from a specific RUSLE internet website. However, this information is used in the newer version (RUSLE 2). RUSLE calculations for sediment loss will need to be converted into the newer version of RUSLE. EI values may also be manually computed from recording raingage data. This is a time consuming process and will need to be completed for each data point.

Energy West would appreciate if the Division would allow 60 days to complete this process. Once completed, we should have a more accurate data set to predict sediment loss from the Des Bee Dove Mine site.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this request, please contact Dennis Oakley at (435) 687 - 4825.

Sincerely,

*for*   
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